IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Claus Biller et al.

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Title: Bag with Lateral Folds

Examiner: Peter N. Helvey

Art Unit: 3782

Commissioner for Patents

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF 1/19/2011

In response to the office action dated 1/19/2011, Applicant submits the following:

REMARKS

Claims 5 to 8 are pending in the application.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103

Claims 5-7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Totani* (US 2004/0258332) in view of *Wedi et al.* (US 2001/0051008) and *Wedi et al.* (US 2003/0210837).

Claim 8 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Totani* (US 2004/0258332) in view of *Wedi et al.* (US 2001/0051008) and *Wedi et al.* (US 2003/0210837) and further in view of *Wedi et al.* (US 6,398,412).

Examiner argues that *Totani* shows a gusseted bag (Fig. 1) of flexible multi-layer film with inner layer being fusible, as disclosed in paragraphs 0036 and 0042, the bag having a bottom end, top end, gussets on the sides, and bag walls being fused with the